

# Why would anyone steal your stuff?

Motivation varies from excitement and financial gain to identity theft and more.

In general, two kinds of property are stolen: personal items and car components.

Personal items that owners may leave in their cars include loose change, laptop computers, cellular phones, portable music players and wallets or pocket books.

Targeted car components change as the different features become highly valued. For a time, stereo equipment was targeted, but now air bags and expensive parts such as catalytic converters, high-intensity discharge or xenon headlamps are prized. DOJ

Items are stolen from a vehicle every 25 minutes in the State of Maryland.

29% of all thefts reported are thefts from vehicles

# Theft from Auto is a Serious Crime

...and it's one you can avoid with awareness and preparation.

Remove the Desire, Ability and Opportunity



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# Theft From Auto

## Property Inventory



Lock Out Car Theft!

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**"YOU  
HOLD  
THE  
KEY"**

Wes Moore, Governor  
Aruna Miller, Lt. Governor

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# Preventing Theft Is Easier Than You Think!

## Property Inventory Record

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Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

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Item No.	Quantity	Item	Brand/Make	Model/Style	Serial No.	Color	Engraving/Markings	Size	Value
1	1	Digital Camera	Cannon	EOS Rebel T4I	D-4560455-OQWYZ	BLK	NA	NA	\$1,000
Further Description		18 MP, 18-55 IS II Zoom Lens, Tripod contained in Black leather case							
Item No.	Quantity	Item	Brand/Make	Model/Style	Serial No.	Color	Engraving/Markings	Size	Value
2									
Further Description									
Item No.	Quantity	Item	Brand/Make	Model/Style	Serial No.	Color	Engraving/Markings	Size	Value
3									
Further Description									
Item No.	Quantity	Item	Brand/Make	Model/Style	Serial No.	Color	Engraving/Markings	Size	Value
4									
Further Description									
Item No.	Quantity	Item	Brand/Make	Model/Style	Serial No.	Color	Engraving/Markings	Size	Value
5									
Further Description									
Item No.	Quantity	Item	Brand/Make	Model/Style	Serial No.	Color	Engraving/Markings	Size	Value
6									
Further Description									

Use this inventory form to make a list of your valuable belongings and keep this list in a safe place and an electronic copy that could be retained in your email account. Should you become the victim of a burglary or theft, you will be able to provide important information to law enforcement officers. The chances of recovering an item increases when more information about an item, especially the serial number, is recorded. It is important to list model numbers and serial numbers. You should photograph any item that does not have a serial number and update this list each time you obtain additional items. Review the form annually. Use additional pages if necessary. To download an electronic copy of this form go to [www.MDAutoTheft.org](http://www.MDAutoTheft.org).

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